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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

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Mr. John Dillworth Goodwill Industries of Southwest Michigan 420 East Alcott Street Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001

Dear Mr. Dillworth:

Thank you for your April 3, 2013 letter to President Obama regarding the Allied Paper Landfill portion of the Allied Paper/Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site in Kalamazoo, Michigan. The White House forwarded your letter to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for response.

As you know, EPA is currently evaluating a variety of cleanup alternatives for this site. EPA will continue to work with the City of Kalamazoo and other stakeholders to address their concerns before issuing a proposed cleanup plan for public comment. EPA is confident that when a remedy is selected it will address all current and future threats from site contamination and will protect human health and the environment.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact Michael Berkoff, the Remedial Project Manager for Allied Landfill, at (312) 353-8983.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Karl, Director Superfund Division

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